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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Monday, 5 November 2001

SECURITY COUNCIL

10 a.m. 4405th meeting Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda

2. The situation in Liberia

Letter dated 26 October 2001 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1343 (2001) concerning Liberia addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2001/1015)

SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION 1373 (2001) CONCERNING COUNTER-TERRORISM

5 p.m. Economic and Social Council Chamber

Oral briefing by the Chairman of the Committee to interested Member States of the United Nations

FIFTY-SIXTH REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

General debate
(10-16 November 2001)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 5) for the general debate of the fifty-sixth regular session of the General Assembly is now available in room S-3001. The provisional list of speakers (No. 5) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

10 a.m. 37th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Towards global partnerships: report of the Secretary-General (A/56/323 and Corr.1 (Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian and Spanish only)) [39]

2. Observance of the International Day for Preventing the Exploitation of the Environment in War and Armed Conflict: draft resolution (A/56/L.8) [171]

3. Culture of peace: draft resolution (A/56/L.5) [28]

3 p.m. 38th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Final review and appraisal of the implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s: note by the Secretary-General (A/56/270) [22]

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m. 22nd meeting Conference Room 2

3 p.m.- 6 p.m. 23rd meeting Conference Room 2

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 64 to 84:

Documents of the First Committee: *item 74* (A/56/172, A/56/136 and Add.1 and 2, A/56/309, A/56/348, A/56/360, A/56/182, A/56/165 and Add.1, A/56/183, A/56/166, A/56/400, A/56/296, A/56/404, A/56/408, A/56/257 and Add.1, A/56/130, and Add.1, A/C.1/56/5, A/C.1/56/L.8, L.35/Rev.1, L.44/Rev.1, L.47, L.61, L.49/Rev.1 and L.60; *item 75* (A/56/285, A/56/137, A/56/154, A/56/266, A/56/378-S/2000/890, A/C.1/56/L.2, L.59, L.29); *item 78* (A/56/163, A/C.1/56/L.43* and L.56); and *item 82* (A/C.1/56/5, A/C.1/56/L.10/Rev.1)

[Documents of the First Committee: A/C.1/56/1, A/C.1/56/2, A/C.1/56/3 and Add.1, A/C.1/56/4, A/C.1/56/5*, A/C.1/56/INF.1 and Rev.1 and A/C.1/56/INF.2]

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m. - 1 p.m. 22nd meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Sectoral policy questions [96] (A/56/358 and A/C.2/56/3)

   (a) Business and development (A/56/403 and A/56/442)
   (b) Industrial development cooperation (A/56/139)

   Introduction and general discussion

2. Environment and sustainable development [98]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.10

   (a) Implementation of Agenda 21 and the Programme for Further Implementation of Agenda 21

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.11

   (b) International strategy for disaster reduction

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.12

   (d) Convention on Biological Diversity

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.9

   (g) Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy, including the implementation of the World Solar Programme 1996-2005

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.8

3. Operational activities for development [99]

   (a) Triennial policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.13

   (b) Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.14

3 p.m.	23rd meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Sectoral policy questions [96] (A/56/358 and A/C.2/56/3)

(a) Business and development (A/56/403 and A/56/442)

(b) Industrial development cooperation (A/56/139)

Continuation and conclusion of general discussion

Afternoon*-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Dharmansjah Djumala (Indonesia), Vice-Chairman of the Second Committee, on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.10 (item 98), A/C.2/56/L.11 (item 98 (a)), A/C.2/56/L.12 (item 98 (b)), A/C.2/56/L.9 (item 98 (d)) and A/C.2/56/L.8 (item 98 (g))

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Ms. Jana Simonova (Czech Republic), Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, on draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.13 (item 99 (a)); and Mr. Garfield Barnwell (Guyana), Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.14 (item 99 (b))

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* Following the adjournment of the 23rd meeting of the Second Committee.

THIRD COMMITTEE

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	30th meeting	Conference Room 1

Program of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People [116]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.30

Right of peoples to self-determination [118] (A/56/295, A/56/224, A/56/462)

Conclusion of general discussion

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	23rd meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 [123]

Reformulated narrative (Section 8: Legal affairs) (A/C.5/56/11)

Reformulated narrative (Section 27C: Office of Human Resources Management) (A/C.5/56/10)

Introduction and general discussion

2. Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services [130] (A/56/381, A/56/83 and A/56/128)

Introduction and general discussion

Morning*-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 124 (Pattern of conferences (A/56/32, A/56/120/Rev.1, A/56/133, A/56/188, A/56/213 and Corr.1, A/56/261, A/56/277, A/56/293, A/56/299, A/56/300, A/56/339, A/AC.198/2001/8 and A/56/475))

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 122 (Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001) and 133 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations): Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly: Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.4/55/L.23 (Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects) (A/C.5/55/46 and Add.1 and A/56/478))

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* Following the adjournment of the 23rd meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	18th meeting	Conference Room 4
3 p.m.	19th meeting	Conference Room 4

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-third session [162] (A/56/10 and Corr.1)

Morning*- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4

Scope of legal protection under the Convention on the Safety of the United Nations and Associated Personnel [167]

Afternoon** 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization [165] (A/C.6/56/L.6)

* Following the adjournment of the 18th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

** Following the adjournment of the 19th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

International Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia

INVESTMENTS COMMITTEE

9 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8
2.30 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 30 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 30 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea), will be held on Monday, 5 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will meet on Monday, 5 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in room DC2-470A.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Monday, 5 November 2001

ARAB GROUP
(First Committee matters)

9 a.m. - 10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

GROUP OF 77 OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE
(agenda item 117 (Racism and racial discrimination) and INSTRAW)

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

ARAB GROUP OF THE WHOLE
(at the ambassadorial level)

11.30 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT:

WORKING GROUP ON HUMAN RIGHTS

1.15 p.m. - 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

GROUP OF 77
(on agenda item 39 (Towards global partnerships) and the road map)

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

GROUP OF 77 OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE
(agenda item 117 (Racism and racial discrimination))

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room D

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United Nations Institute for Training and Research

FRENCH WORKSHOP ON THE STRUCTURE, DRAFTING AND ADOPTION OF UNITED NATIONS RESOLUTIONS

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9
3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

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There will be meetings of the 2001 United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament on Monday, 5 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Tuesday, 6 November 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	24th meeting	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	25th meeting	Conference Room 2

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	24th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.	25th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	31st meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	24th meeting	Conference Room 3
Morning*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

* Following the adjournment of the 24th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	20th meeting	Conference Room 4
Morning*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4
3 p.m.	21st meeting	Conference Room 4

* Following the adjournment of the 20th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 30 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 30 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea), will be held on Tuesday, 6 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6, and on Friday, 9 November, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Informal consultations on agenda item 39 (Towards global partnerships)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 39 (Towards global partnerships), organized by the delegation of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union) will be held on Tuesday, 6 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Informal consultations on agenda item 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance)

Informal consultations on draft proposals under item 20 and its sub-items will be conducted by H.E. Mr. Hubert Wurth (Luxembourg) on Tuesday, 6 November 2001, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Informal consultations on agenda item 30 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 30 (b) (Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks) will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, 7 and 8 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. Conference Room 6, and on Friday, 9 November, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its 15th meeting on Wednesday, 7 November 2001, at 10 a.m., to continue its consideration of agenda item 87 (United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East). The Committee will also begin consideration of agenda item 88 (Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories).

Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate on agenda items 88, 89 and 90 are kindly urged to inscribe their names on the list of speakers as soon as possible with the secretariat of the Committee (room S-2977, tel.: (212) 963-9223).

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The Third Committee will hear introductory statements by the Special Rapporteurs and Special Representatives presenting reports to the Committee under agenda item 119 (Human rights questions), beginning on Thursday, 8 November 2001, as follows:

On Thursday, 8 November, at 10 a.m.: Mr. Kamal Hossain (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Afghanistan); Mr. Nigel Rodley (Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment); and Mr. John Dugard (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967). At 3 p.m.: Mrs. Marie-Thérèse Kéita-Bocoum (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Burundi); and Mr. Gerhart R. Baum (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Sudan). In addition, the report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo will be introduced by the Director of the New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights;

On Friday, 9 November, at 10 a.m.: Mr. Andreas Mavrommatis (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Iraq); Mr. Paulo Sérgio Pinheiro (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar); and Mr. José Cutileiro (Special Representative on the situation of human rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia). At 3 p.m.: Mr. Abdelfattah Amor (Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief); Mr. Francis Deng (Representative of the Secretary-General on the protection of and assistance to internally displaced persons); and Mr. Jean Ziegler (Special Rapporteur on the right to food);

On Monday, 12 November, at 10 a.m.: Mr. Maurice Copithorne (Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran); Mr. Peter Leuprecht (Special Representative of the Secretary-General for human rights in Cambodia); and Ms. Hina Jilani (Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Human Rights Defenders).

Following the introduction of each of these reports, the floor will be open to members of the Committee for questions and comments. All interested members of the Committee are invited to participate.

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The 2001 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities will take place on Wednesday, 7 November 2001, at 10 a.m., and on Thursday, 8 November, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

It would be appreciated if delegations could submit the names of their representatives to the Secretary of the Pledging Conference, Mr. Alexandre De Barros (room S-2950-G, tel.: (212) 963-2320; fax: (212) 963-5935). The list of speakers is open.

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SECURITY COUNCIL

The 225th (closed) meeting• of the Security Council Committee established by resolution 661 (1990) concerning the situation between Iraq and Kuwait will be held on Tuesday, 6 November 2001, at 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

• The Chairman will give an oral briefing to interested members of the United Nations in the same conference room, immediately after the meeting. Following the oral briefing to members of the United Nations, the Chairman will give a briefing to the press.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

United Nations Children's Fund

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Pre-session briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its second regular session (10-14 December 2001) will take place on Monday, 26 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2001/12. All delegations are invited to attend.

Second regular session for 2001

The second regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 10 to 14 December 2001 in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2001/12. Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of UNICEF (fax: (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, 23 November 2001.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

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Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive-Nuclear-Test Ban Treaty

The Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) has now been rescheduled to take place from 11 to 13 November 2001 at United Nations Headquarters.

Delegations who have not yet inscribed in the list of speakers for the general exchange of views (item 10 of the draft provisional agenda of the Conference - document CTBT-Art.XIV/2001/1/Rev.1) are kindly asked to communicate their request in writing to the secretariat of the Conference (room S-3140). States will be enlisted on a first-come-first served basis, with the proviso that representatives at the highest level will be given priority.

Furthermore, in accordance with item 11 of the draft provisional agenda, States which have not signed the Treaty will be able to make statements at the Conference. Delegations wishing to be inscribed in the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Conference.

For enquiries regarding the provisional list of speakers, please contact Ms. Myrna Peña (tel.: (212) 963-4022; fax: (212) 963-8892).

As a general guidance, it is assumed that speakers, at the discretion of the President, will talk for up to five minutes each. The secretariat also wishes to advise that it is the wish of the majority of the States which have ratified the CTBT that the Conference be attended at a high level.

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for representatives of ratifiers and the names of alternate representatives and advisers, in accordance with rule 3 of the draft rules of procedure (document CTBT-Art.XIV/2001/2).

Announcement

Dialogue among Civilizations
(agenda item 25)

In preparation for the debate on agenda item 25 in the General Assembly (Dialogue among civilizations), background information on the United Nations Year of Dialogue among civilizations is available on the Web (http://www.un.org/esa/coordination/rept.htm) and at the Division for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (room DC1-1419C).

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of JUSCANZ *(Third Committee)* on Tuesday, 6 November 2001, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room B.

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There will be a meeting of the Islamic Group (Working Group on Annual Coordination Meeting) on Tuesday, 6 November 2001, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room E.

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Panel discussion

There will be a panel discussion on "Migration, Xenophobia and Human Rights", co-sponsored by the International Labour Office (ILO), the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and the International Organization for Migration (IOM), on Tuesday, 6 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 1. Opening remarks will be given by Mrs. Mary Robinson, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights. The speakers will include H.E. Mr. Gustavo Albin, Permanent Representative of Mexico at the United Nations Office at Geneva; a representative of the European Union (to be confirmed); Ms. Elsa Ramos, International Confederation of Free Trade Unions; Mr. Robert Paiva, Permanent Observer for the International Organization for Migration to the United Nations; and Mr. Patrick Taran, Senior Migration Specialist, ILO. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Caroline Lewis (tel.: (212) 697-0150, ext. 102).

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Panel discussion

There will be a discussion with human rights Special Rapporteurs, Special Representatives and Independent Experts on "Human Rights Challenges and Priorities in the Post-September 11 Era", organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, in cooperation with the NGO Committee on Human Rights, on Tuesday, 6 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representative of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA) (Columbia University) are jointly conducting a Columbia/UNITAR workshop on civil-military coordination in peace-building. This workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held on Thursday and Friday, 8 and 9 November 2001 from 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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As from Thursday, 1 November 2001, and for the rest of the month, the President of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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A Web site of the Presidency of the Security Council has been established with effect on Thursday, 1 November 2001 and can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.org/Docs/sc/presidency.

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The Web site of the President of the General Assembly can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.org/ga/president. The President's statements and a summary of his daily activities are available on this Web site.

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The English, French and Spanish Web sites of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism can be visited at the following addresses: http://www.un.org/docs/sc/committees/1373); http://www.un.org/french/docs/sc/committees/1373); and http://www.un.org/spanish/docs/comites/1373/index.html.

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During the Indonesian chairmanship of the Preparatory Committee for the World Summit on Sustainable Development (Rio+10), the Permanent Mission of Indonesia has set up a Web site that can be visited at the following addresses: http://www.indonesiamission-ny.org *or* http://www.un.int/indonesia.

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During the Belgian presidency of the European Union, statements made at the United Nations on behalf of the European Union are available at the following Web site address: http://www.un.int/belgium.

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Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

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Delegations who wish to make their statements available to the media at Headquarters are advised to provide 100 copies of these directly to the media office located on the third floor in the Secretariat Building (room S-348).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Friday, 2 November 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 21st meeting

The Committee continued the third stage of work (action on all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 64 to 84).

The representative of Mexico introduced draft decision A/C.1/56/L.60.

Draft resolution A/C.1/56/L.1/Rev.1 was adopted by 80 votes to 3, with 63 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/56/L.9/Rev.1 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/56/L.24 was adopted as follows: the last 3 words in operative paragraph 3 by 132 votes to 3, with 8 abstentions; operative paragraph 3 as a whole by 136 votes to 2, with 8 abstentions; and the draft resolution as a whole by 141 votes to 4, with 5 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/56/L.25 was adopted as follows: the sixth preambular paragraph by 139 votes to 2, with 6 abstentions; and the draft resolution as a whole by 139 votes to 3, with 7 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/56/L.7 was adopted by 145 to none, with 3 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/56/L.18 was adopted without a vote.

FIFTH COMMITTEE 22nd meeting

Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments [17]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Chairman made a statement regarding the procedure to be followed.

(a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/101 and A/C.5/56/5)

The Chairman drew the attention of the Committee to a letter dated 31 October 2001 addressed to the Permanent Representative of Sri Lanka in his capacity as Chairman of the Asian Group for the month of October 2001, in which the Permanent Representative of the Republic of Indonesia stated that his Government had withdrawn the candidature of Ambassador Soemadi D.M. Brotodiningrat for election to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

The Committee then decided, by acclamation, to recommend that the General Assembly appoint Mr. Rajat Saha (India), Ms. Sun Minqin (China), Mr. Juichi Takahara (Japan), Ms. Nazareth A. Incera (Costa Rica), Mr. Michiel W. H. Crom (Netherlands) and Mr. Nicholas A. Thorne (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) as members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2002.

(b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions (A/56/102 and A/C.5/56/6)

The Committee decided, by acclamation, to recommend that the General Assembly appoint Mr. Omar Kadiri (Morocco), Mr. Hassan Mohammed Hassan (Nigeria), Mr. Bernardo Greiver (Uruguay), Mr. Eduardo Iglesias (Argentina), Mr. Henry Siegfried Fox (Australia) and Mr. Eduardo Manuel da Fonseca Fernandes Ramos (Portugal) as members of the Committee on Contributions for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2002.

(c) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors (A/56/103 and A/C.5/56/7)

The Committee decided, by acclamation, to recommend that the General Assembly appoint the Chairman of the Commission on Audit of the Philippines as a member of the Board of Auditors for a six-year term of office beginning on 1 July 2002.

(d) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee (A/56/104 and A/C.5/56/8)

The Committee decided, by acclamation, to recommend that the General Assembly confirm the appointment of Mr. Emmanuel N. Omaboe (Ghana), Mr. Yves Oltramare (Switzerland) and Mr. Jurgen Reimnitz (Germany) as members of the Investments Committee for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2002.

(f) Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission (A/56/106 and A/C.5/56/9)

The Committee decided, by acclamation, to recommend that the General Assembly appoint Mr. Minoru Endo (Japan), Mr. Joao Augusto de Medicis (Brazil), Mr. Mario Bettati (France), Mr. Alexis Stephanou (Greece) and Ms. Lucretia F. Myers (United States of America) as members of the International Civil Service Commission for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2002.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this agenda item.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 16th meeting

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-third session [162]

Statements were made by the representatives of Brazil, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Slovakia, Guatemala, Colombia, Algeria, Bulgaria and Indonesia.

The observer for Switzerland also made a statement.

The Special Rapporteur, Mr. James Crawford, made a statement.

The Chairman of the International Law Commission, Mr. Peter C.R. Kabatsi (Uganda), introduced Chapter V of the Commission's report.

Statements were made by the representatives of Bahrain, China and the Netherlands.

17th meeting

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-third session [162]

Statements were made by the representatives of Japan, Israel, Chile and Sweden (on behalf of the Nordic countries).

The Chairman made a statement.

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DISARMAMENT COMMISSION 248th meeting

Opening of the session

The 2001 organizational session of the Commission was opened by Chairperson, Ms. Diane Quarless (Jamaica).

Adoption of the agenda

The Commission adopted a provisional agenda for the 2001 organizational session, as contained in document A/CN.10/L.50.

Election of the Chairman and other officers

The Commission elected H.E. Mr. Mario Maiolini, representative of Italy to the Conference on Disarmament, as Chairman of the Commission.

The Commission elected Mr. Valentin Rybakov (Belarus) and Mr. Alexandr Sporys (Czech Republic) as Vice-Chairmen, and Mr. Meheidine El Kadiri (Morocco) as Rapporteur.

Adoption of the agenda and programme of work for the substantive session

The Commission considered and adopted the provisional agenda for the 2002 substantive session, as contained in document A/CN.10/L.51.

The Commission took note of the general programme of work and the timetable for the first week of the session.

Dates of the 2002 session

The Commission decided to postpone the decision on the dates of 2002 substantive session until after the series of informal consultations to be held among the regional groups in January, February and March 2002.

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International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
Seventy-third session
United Nations Office at Geneva

THURSDAY, 1 NOVEMBER 2001

1982nd (closed) meeting

Consideration of communications under the Optional Protocol to the Convenant [7]

The Committee considered the item.

1983rd (closed) meeting

The Committtee adopted the concluding observations of Azerbaijan.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations. New York, 13 February 1946

Accession: Tajikistan (19 October 2001)*

Convention for the Suppression of the Traffic in Persons and of the Exploitation of the Prostitution of Others. Lake Success, New York, 21 March 1950

Accession: Tajikistan (19 October 2001)*

International Coffee Agreement 2001. London, 28 September 2000

Ratification: Jamaica (1 November 2001)*

Accession: Kenya (1 November 2001)*

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999

Signature: Tunisia (2 November 2001)

TREATY EVENT - MULTILATERAL TREATIES ON TERRORISM (UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS) (10-16 November 2001)

Signature of, and deposit of instruments relating to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General

The above event will take place from 10 November to 16 November 2001 at United Nations Headquarters. Appropriate facilities, including media coverage, will be made available for treaty actions to be undertaken in a solemn setting.

Delegations that have notified the Secretary-General, in response to his letter of 4 October 2001, and those still intending to do so, of their intention to sign or deposit instruments relating to multilateral treaties under his custody, in particular those concerning terrorism, are advised to contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs promptly to arrange appointments (room S-3200; tel.: (212) 963-5047; fax: (212) 963-3693).

Delegations are also requested to submit copies of instruments including, where appropriate, texts of declarations and reservations, and, as necessary, required full powers to the Treaty Section at the latest by 7 November 2001 for verification.

It is recalled that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign treaties must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of specified treaties by a named representative issued by one of these authorities. Advice on full powers may be obtained from the Treaty Section. Further information on the event will be provided closer to 10 November 2001.

The texts and status of multilateral treaties which address various aspects of terrorism, can be obtained at the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site (http://untreaty.un.org.), including the following four Conventions deposited with the Secretary-General:

Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons including Diplomatic Agents. New York, 14 December 1973;

International Convention against the Taking of Hostages. New York, 17 December 1979;

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997; and

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999.

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* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairmen of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of November 2001 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Uganda
H.E. Mr. Matia Mulumba Semakula Kiwanuka

Asian States:
Syrian Arab Republic
H.E. Mr. Mikhail Wehbe

Eastern European States:
Hungary
H.E. Mr. André Erdös

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Honduras
H.E. Mr. Ángel Edmundo Orellana Mercado

Western European and other States:
Iceland
H.E. Mr. Thorsteinn Ingólfsson

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